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Bob Fotheringham Regional Engineer 1780 North Research Parkway, Suite 104 North Logan, Utah 84341

Re: Blacksmith Fork River

Dear Mr. Fotheringham:

Our firm has been retained by the Nibley Blacksmith Fork Irrigation Company, the Hyrum Blacksmith Fork Irrigation Company, the Providence Blacksmith Fork Irrigation Company, and the Millville Irrigation Company and requested to write this formal letter of complaint. During a recent visit to the river with Will Atkin from the State Engineer's Office, members of the aforementioned companies became aware of two troubling situations. It appears that at least two (2), if not more, individuals are illegally diverting water from the Blacksmith Fork River that belongs to the irrigation companies. One of these individuals is Dave Keiser. Mr. Keiser had an application for stream alteration (No. 86-25-10SA) approved several years ago. However, Mr. Keiser is not entitled to permanently divert water from the river. Additionally, Bruce Hall appears to be diverting water from the river with no right to do so.

The above-referenced irrigation companies respectfully request the State Engineer take whatever action is necessary to ensure that Keiser, Hall, and all other persons or entities wrongfully appropriating water from the Blacksmith Fork River in derogation of the rights of the irrigation companies cease and desist from further action of this type. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Hallock & Hallock,

a Professional Corporation

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cc: Hyrum Blacksmith Fork Irrigation Company
Nibley Blacksmith Fork Irrigation Company
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